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Ms. Marlene Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW, Room TWB-204 Washington, DC 20554

Re: In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service,

CC Docket Nos. 02-06, 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Yesterday, James Cicconi, Senior Vice-President & General Counsel of AT&T, Corp., spoke with Commissioner Kevin Martin and discussed issues related to the aforementioned proceeding. They discussed AT&T's support for the "per connection, collect and remit mechanism" proposed by COSUS to be implemented April 1, 2002 to replace the six month retrospective percentage revenue assessment mechanism currently in place and how telephone numbers could be utilized in place of connections in the context of that proposal. They also discussed whether such a telephone number –based plan would better address some of the jurisdictional issues raised by other parties in this proceeding. Mr. Cicconi reiterated AT&T's overall support to reform the current mechanism by April 1, 2003. Mr. Cicconi's statements were in all other areas consistent with AT&T's previous submissions in the aforementioned docket.

Consistent with Commission rules, I am filing one electronic copy of this notice and request that you place it in the record of the above-referenced proceedings.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Zumg.

Commissioner Kevin Martin

cc: